

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1066
By Hargett

A RESOLUTION to congratulate Patrolman R.T. Halford of the
Bartlett Police Department on being named
Officer of the Year.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly are pleased to specially recognize those outstanding law enforcement officers, who, because of their remarkable motivation and dedication to their mission, have been singled out by their departments as role models for their peers and as leaders in their communities; and

WHEREAS, one such outstanding law enforcement officer is Patrolman R.T. Halford, a seven-year veteran of the Bartlett Police Department, who was recently named Officer of the Year for the period of April 2003-April 2004; and

WHEREAS, a resident of Bartlett since October of 1980, the 29-year-old R.T. Halford is a graduate of Bolton High School and attended Southwest Tennessee Community College; he was manager of the Bartlett McDonalds prior to joining the Police Department; and

WHEREAS, for the past year, Patrolman Halford has distinguished himself as a leader on his shift with regard to his traffic and general law enforcement duties, as manifested by his determination to do an outstanding job in everything that he attempts; and

WHEREAS, in February of 2004, Patrolman Halford, who is proficient in sign language, used that ability to communicate with a deaf citizen concerning information on a stolen vehicle; with the information gained, he arrested four suspects in the stolen vehicle case, producing charges for drug possession, stolen credit card, strong arm robbery, theft and burglary; and

WHEREAS, his respected work as a law enforcement officer aside, Patrolman R.T. Halford is fortunate to enjoy the love and support of his wife, Rachel, and his son, Hunter, age 7; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that this legislative body pause in its deliberations to specially recognize the sterling performance of this outstanding young law enforcement officer; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we congratulate Bartlett Police Department Patrolman R.T. Halford upon being named Officer of the Year, thank him for his dedicated and diligent service to the citizens of Bartlett and the State of Tennessee, and offer him our best wishes for every success and satisfaction in all his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.